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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Transgenic soybeans commercially produced in the United States have completed the necessary review under the U.S. regulatory process for determining the safety of new agricultural biotechnology products. This well coordinated regulatory process sets U.S. standards for human, animal, and plant health, and environmental safety. The transgenic soybeans used for domestic purposes are the same as those used for export.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David R. Shipman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "D" and a trailing flourish.

David R. Shipman
Acting Administrator